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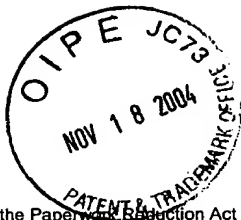
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**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT
ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)**

Docket Number (Optional)
NAUP0292USA

First named inventor: Jiunn-Ren Hwang

Application No.: 09/851,580

Art Unit: 1756

Filed: 05/10/2001

Examiner: Ruggles, John S

Title: METHOD OF FORMING STORAGE NODES IN A DRAM

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The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to file a timely and proper reply to a notice or action by the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The date of abandonment is the day after the expiration date of the period set for reply in the office notice or action plus an extensions of time actually obtained.

APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION

NOTE: A grantable petition requires the following items:

- (1) Petition fee;
- (2) Reply and/or issue fee;
- (3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee - required for all utility and plant applications filed before June 8, 1995; and for all design applications; and
- (4) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.

1. Petition fee

- ☐ Small entity-fee \$ _____ (37 CFR 1.17(m)). Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ Other than small entity - fee \$ 1330 (37 CFR 1.17(m))

2. Reply and/or fee

- A. The reply and/or fee to the above-noted Office action in
the form of Petition to revive under 37CFR1.137(b) (identify type of reply):

- ☐ has been filed previously on _____.
- ☒ is enclosed herewith.

- B. The issue fee and publication fee (if applicable) of \$ _____.

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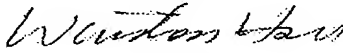
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☒ Since this utility/plant application was filed on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.☐ A terminal disclaimer (and disclaimer fee (37 CFR 1.20(d)) of \$ _____ for a small entity or \$ _____ for other than a small entity) disclaiming the required period of time is enclosed herewith (see PTO/SB/63).

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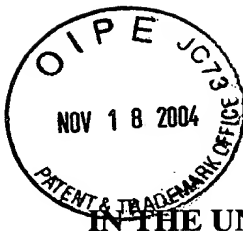
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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Jiunn-Ren Hwang et al.

5 Examiner: RUGGLES, JOHN S

Filing Date: 05/10/2001 Art Unit: 1756

App. No.: 09/851,580 Docket No.: NAUP0292USA

Title: METHOD OF FORMING STORAGE NODES IN A DRAM

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To: Commissioner for Patents
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15 Subject: Petition to Revive Under 37 CFR §1.137(b)

Dear Sir/Madam:

20 This is a petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) to revive the above-identified application, which had become abandoned on 12/21/2004 for failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office communication mailed on 10/9/2003.

25 The entire delay in filing the required reply to the Office letter of 10/9/2003 was unintentional. A Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed on 10/9/2003 was never received by the applicant until having a telephonic interview with the examiner on 4/14/2004. A search of the file jacket and docket record attests to the fact that the applicant didn't received the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment between filing RCE on 8/19/2003 and having a telephonic interview with examiner John Ruggles (see Attachment 1).

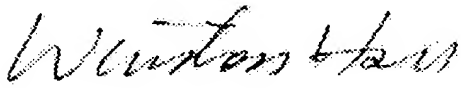
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After the telephonic interview, an unofficial copy of the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment was facsimiled to the undersigned agent by the examiner

on 4/14/2004. And the Interview Summary mailed on 4/16/2004 indicated that the applicant should comply with MPEP 711.03 C II to avoid a holding of abandonment for failure to respond to the Office action mailed on 10/9/2004. However, an unintentional mistake was happened that only a preliminary amendment was made on
5 5/6/2004 without a petition to withdraw holding of abandonment and the relevant evidence to show non-receipt of the 10/9/2004 Office letter.

Due to the above, a petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) to revive the above-identified application is submitted. The entire delay in timely submitting the relevant evidence
10 was unintentional. Accordingly, the applicant hereby request that this application be revived and reconsider the preliminary amendment to the 10/9/2004 Office letter (see Attachment 2). The required petition fee \$1,330.00, as required by 37 CFR 1.17(m), is enclosed.

15 Respectfully submitted,



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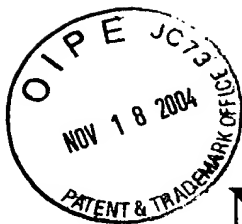
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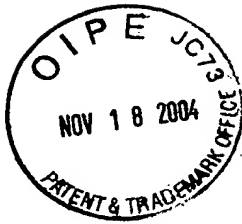
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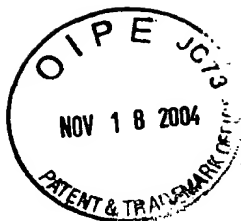
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10 Title: METHOD OF FORMING STORAGE NODES IN A DRAM

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Subject: Reply to the Office Action Dated 10/09/2003
Response to the Telephone Interview
Conducted on 04/14/2004

20 Dear Sir:

In response to the office action and the telephone
interview identified above, the amendments to the
claims is now re-submitted. Consideration of the
25 Request for Continued Examination filed on 08/19/2003
is politely requested.

The independent claim 3 and the dependent claims
4-6 referring in the above identified office action
30 are already cancelled in the Response to the Office
Action dated 01/28/2003. This fact is evident by the
Office Action dated 03/11/2003, in which the Examiner

stated "the previous 35 U.S.C. 102(b) rejection of claim 3 as being anticipated by Ueno (Japanese Patent Publication 01-107527) of Paper No.4 is now removed because claim 3 has been cancelled." and "the previous
5 35 U.S.C. 103(a) rejection of claims 4-6 as being unpatentable over Ueno as applied to claim 3, and further in view of Adair in Paper No. 4 are now removed because claims 4-6 have been cancelled".

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A method of forming storage nodes in a dynamic random access memory (DRAM) on a semiconductor wafer, the semiconductor wafer comprising a substrate, a thin film layer positioned on the substrate, and a photoresist layer positioned on the thin film layer, the method comprising:

performing a first exposure process to form first exposure regions ~~including a plurality of lines that are parallel to each other and covering each storage node~~ that are lines parallel with each other on the photoresist layer;

performing a second exposure process to form second exposure regions ~~cutting the plurality of lines of the first exposure regions that are rectangles interlaced with and perpendicular to each other on the photoresist layer,~~ and the second exposure regions doing not overlap the first exposure regions;

performing a development process on the first exposure regions and the second exposure regions of the photoresist layer;

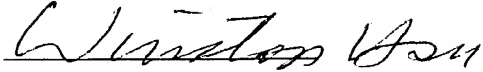
removing the first exposure regions and the second exposure regions of the photoresist layer to form an array photoresist layer on the thin film layer; and

using the array photoresist layer as a mask to perform an etching process to remove portions of the thin film layer not covered by the array photoresist layer so as to form an array thin film layer, the array thin film layer being used as the storage nodes in the DRAM.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the method is used to prevent rounding corner effects, end-of-line shortening, or other optical proximity effects to patterns of the photoresist layer.

Claims 3-6 are cancelled.

5 Sincerely yours,



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Notice of Abandonment

Application No.

09/851,580

Examiner

John Ruggles

Applicant(s)

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

This application is abandoned in view of:

1. ☒ Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on 09 October 2003.
 - (a) ☒ A reply was received on 06 May 2004 (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated X), which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total extension of time of 5 month(s)) which expired on 09 April 2004.
 - (b) ☐ A proposed reply was received on _____, but it does not constitute a proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 (a) to the final rejection.
(A proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to a final rejection consists only of: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114).
 - (c) ☐ A reply was received on _____ but it does not constitute a proper reply, or a bona fide attempt at a proper reply, to the non-final rejection. See 37 CFR 1.85(a) and 1.111. (See explanation in box 7 below).
 - (d) ☐ No reply has been received.
2. ☐ Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).
 - (a) ☐ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was received on _____ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated _____), which is after the expiration of the statutory period for payment of the issue fee (and publication fee) set in the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).
 - (b) ☐ The submitted fee of \$_____ is insufficient. A balance of \$_____ is due.
The issue fee required by 37 CFR 1.18 is \$_____. The publication fee, if required by 37 CFR 1.18(d), is \$_____.
 - (c) ☐ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, has not been received.
3. ☐ Applicant's failure to timely file corrected drawings as required by, and within the three-month period set in, the Notice of Allowability (PTO-37).
 - (a) ☐ Proposed corrected drawings were received on _____ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated _____), which is after the expiration of the period for reply.
 - (b) ☐ No corrected drawings have been received.
4. ☐ The letter of express abandonment which is signed by the attorney or agent of record, the assignee of the entire interest, or all of the applicants.
5. ☐ The letter of express abandonment which is signed by an attorney or agent (acting in a representative capacity under 37 CFR 1.34(a)) upon the filing of a continuing application.
6. ☐ The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interference rendered on _____ and because the period for seeking court review of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claims.
7. ☒ The reason(s) below:

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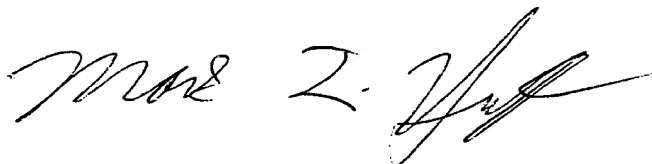
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Petitions to revive under 37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b), or requests to withdraw the holding of abandonment under 37 CFR 1.181, should be promptly filed to minimize any negative effects on patent term.

Item 7 - Other reasons for holding abandonment: On 4/14/04, the Examiner contacted Applicants' representative, Winston Hsu, since no response had been received more than 6 months after a notice of non-compliance was mailed on 10/9/03. Winston Hsu stated that the 10/9/03 Office action had not been received and requested that an unofficial copy be faxed to him for response. This fax was sent on or about 4/14/04. Applicants were also informed of their burden to comply with MPEP 711.03 C II, requiring specific evidence to show non-receipt of the 10/9/03 Office action, in order to avoid a holding of abandonment. The interview summary mailed on 4/16/04 to Applicants clearly set forth this latter requirement, but Applicants' submission filed on 5/6/04 (1) is untimely in response to the 10/9/03 Office action and (2) is non-responsive to the 4/16/04 interview summary as not providing any evidence in compliance with MPEP 711.03 C II showing non-receipt of the 10/9/03 Office action. Therefore, this application is now held to be ABANDONED.



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